



SOCIAL SECURITY



HELP WITH YOUR MEDICARE COSTS IS AVAILABLE

You may be able to get help with your Medicare costs from your State. You can ask your State to help you buy Medicare Part A (Hospital Insurance) if:

- You still have a disabling impairment, and
- You are younger than 65, and
- You no longer have free Medicare Part A (Hospital Insurance), and
- You are not getting medical assistance from your State, and
- You are an individual with resources (such as money in the bank or stocks or bonds) worth \$4,000 or less, or you and your spouse (if married and living together) have resources of \$6,000 or less. Resources do **not** include certain items, such as your home, your home furnishings, a car, burial plots, and \$1,500 in a burial account, and
- Your monthly income is less than **\$3,352** or your and your spouse's monthly income (if married and living together) is less than **\$4,485**. These income limits will change slightly in 2007.

Note: Income limits are slightly higher in Alaska and Hawaii. Other States may also have more generous income and/or resource requirements.

If you think you might be able to get this help getting Medicare, or if you are not sure, call your medical assistance (Medicaid) office. You can get the local phone number for these organizations by calling 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227; TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048).

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